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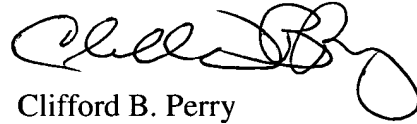
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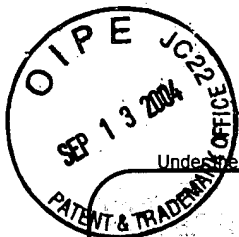
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For the reasons provided earlier, the Applicants submit that all pending claims are in condition for allowance and a notice to such effect is requested. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would expedite the prosecution of this case or if any questions arise, the Examiner is invited to e-mail the Applicants' representative, Clifford Perry, at cperry@perryiplaw.com indicating the date and time when a return phone call discussing the case would be most convenient.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of
the Applicants,

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